

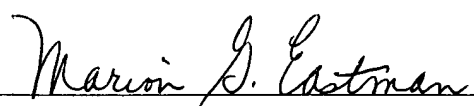
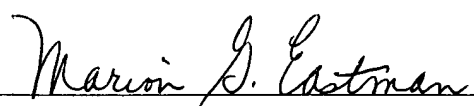
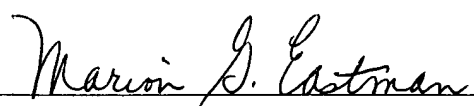


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Applicant(s): MICHAEL L. ALBU et al.											
Application No. 10/696,275	Filing Date October 29, 2003	Examiner Bibi Sharidan Carrillo	Customer No. 24959	Group Art Unit 1746	Confirmation No. 6499						
Invention: COMPOSITIONS INCORPORATING CHITOSAN FOR PAINT DETACKIFICATION											
 COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:											
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.											
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.											
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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00						
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2025 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.											
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Receipt of the Office Action mailed May 25, 2004, is acknowledged, and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the claims in view of the present amendment is respectfully requested.

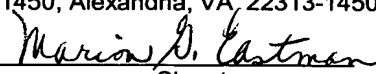
Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this response.

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